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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Examiner: Sharmila S. Gollamudi    Art Unit: 1616  
Re:    Application of:                    Chih-Ming CHEN, et al.  
      Serial No.:                        09/435,576  
      Filed:                              November 8, 1999  
      For:                                **HMG-COA REDUCTASE INHIBITOR  
EXTENDED RELEASE FORMULATION**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111 and  
STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW UNDER 37 CFR §1.133**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 22, 2003

**I.    INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 4, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as provided in the section below entitled "AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS." The "REMARKS" section of the present amendment includes the substance of the interview as required under 37 CFR §1.133.